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Lower rates in black and South Asian women - Oxford study

EXPERTS at Oxford University believe they may have found the reason behind lower breast cancer rates in South Asian and black women.

Research published in this week's British Journal of Cancer states that a difference in lifestyle and reproductive factors are the main reasons.

Breast cancer incidence rates in England are lower in black and South Asian women compared with white women and until now the reason behind it has not been fully understood.

The Million Women Study shows that South Asian and black women had an 18 per cent and 15 per cent lower rate of breast cancer in comparison to white women.

Study author Dr Toral Gathani from Oxford University, said: "In this study of largely postmenopausal women in England, we see that the lower risk of breast cancer in South Asian and black women is largely explained by differences in lifestyle and reproductive patterns.

"It's important for women of all ethnic groups to understand what are the modifiable risk factors for breast cancer, such as obesity and excessive alcohol consumption, and to take measures to reduce their risk."

The study involved more than one million UK women aged 50

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and over.

It discovered that South Asian and black women drink less alcohol and have more children than white women - factors that both influence the risk of developing breast cancer.

However, when these, and other lifestyle and reproductive factors were excluded from the analysis, the risk of developing breast cancer was found to be similar for women of all ethnic groups.

Many of the black and South Asian women in the study were first-generation immigrants and experts fear that as second and subsequent generations of women of ethnic minority origin change their lifestyles, their risk of breast cancer will increase.

Dr Julie Sharp, Cancer Research UK's head of health information, added: "Women can reduce their risk of breast cancer by cutting down on alcohol, keeping a healthy weight by eating a balanced diet and by keeping active."

Experts say that if you notice any changes to your breasts such as lumps, size, shape or around the nipples you should see a doctor immediately.



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People still making the wrong choices

IN CONTRAST to the trend across the district, less people were arrested in Oxfordshire during December for drink or drug driving in comparison to last year.

Thames Valley Police made 70 arrests in the county during December 1, 2013, and January 1, 2014, as part of its 'Is it worth the risk?' campaign.

This is a five per cent increase on 2012 where 74 people were arrested for drink or drug driving.

However, this does not mean that Oxfordshire's drivers are

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the best on the roads and Ch Insp for Thames Valley Roads Policing Unit, Henry Parsons, says officers will continue to be out in force across the year.

"It's worrying that some people are still making the wrong choices, deciding to drink and drive when there are alternatives available," Ch Insp Parsons said.

"Drink-driving is dangerous

and it kills or seriously injures many people each year, devastating families.

"I'm grateful for the public support for this campaign that has helped us to be in the right places, at the right times to make these arrests.

"We'll continue to target drink drivers every single day of the year, not just during campaign periods.

"It isn't worth the risk."

Throughout the campaign, officers targeted individuals they suspected of driving under the influence of drink or

drugs, both on the way home from nights out and the morning after a heavy night.

This resulted in 231 men and 50 women arrested, equating to a six per cent increase in the former and 17 per cent decrease in the latter.

In total, 161 of the arrested people have been charged, with 82 individuals bailed and 38 people released with no further action.

This year's arrests show a one per cent increase on the 278 arrests made during the same period in 2012.

Oxford charity gets government boost to continue work in Uganda

AN OXFORD-BASED charity is set to benefit from a government grant to help continue a Ugandan girls' education project.

Twenty Creative Learning Centre have been launched by Viva and its partner in Uganda, CRANE.

The two-year project is part of the global Girls' Education Challenge which has been aided by a significant grant from the Department of International Development.

Viva's aim is to re-integrate vulnerable girls into upper primary and lower secondary school by offering non-formal education through a wide range of subjects.

More than 1,900 girls will return to a form of appropriate education after graduating while a further 2,300 will be impacted through teacher training and family mentoring.

Martha, who became pregnant at a young age, is one of the girls

who is currently being supported and she said: "I came to this centre to acquire the practical skills taught here and also learn English.

"After leaving, I plan to use what I have learned here as a stepping stone to what I want to become. I plan to pass on this knowledge skills to my siblings

and other people so they can be like me. My dream is to be a teacher."

• **A teacher training session in Uganda**



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News Bites**Opticians theft**

FIFTY-ONE pairs of sunglasses were stolen from a Botley opticians on December 29.

At around 10.50pm, offenders gained entry to the David Spicer Opticians on Elms Parade by smashing open the rear door.

Once inside they broke into two display cases and stole a mixture of Oakley and Maui Jim sunglasses.

Anyone with information should contact police on 101.

Major disruption

AN ARTICULATED lorry jack-knifed on the A34 on Tuesday morning causing long tailbacks and the road to be closed for up to four hours.

The lorry crashed between Peartree and Kidlington on the northbound carriageway of the A34 at 10am.

The carriageway was closed so the vehicle could be recovered and a fuel spill could be cleared up.

Its closure caused tailbacks up to Botley while roads in and around Oxford were hampered due to the flooding.

Teen targeted by duo in Oxford

A 19-YEAR-OLD man has been robbed of his iPhone by two offenders, in an incident which took place on Banbury Road in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Between 1am and 1.30am, the victim was walking along the road when two men got out of a dark blue saloon car and approached him.

They ordered him to hand over the iPhone and ear phones, which he did.

The first offender is Asian with a dark skin tone, in his early to mid twenties, around 6ft 3ins of a heavy build with short black curly hair.

He was wearing white high top trainers fastened with Velcro, dark blue jeans with a white belt, and a dark blue wind breaker jacket.

The second offender is also Asian but with a lighter complexion, around the same age, 6ft 3ins and larger than the first offender.

He had short black hair and facial hair, and was wearing a grey or brown coat with a collar.

The car was described as quite new and in a tidy condition, and police are appealing for witnesses who may have seen the offenders in the area.

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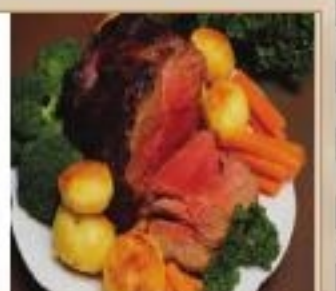
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Floods cause chaos around the county

HEAVY rain in recent weeks has seen dramatic scenes of flooding around the city, causing travel chaos and misery for affected households.

On Monday evening Abingdon Road was closed in both directions from old Abingdon Road to Northampton Road, after water completely covered the route.

A day later, Botley Road was also closed.

The Seacourt Park and Ride

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near Botley was also forced to close due to the car park flooding, with other road closures around Oxford including Binsey Lane, Ferry Hinksey Road and the Wytham to Wolvercote road.

Temporary flood defences have also been erected in Osney to try and keep the rising water at bay.

Cllr Rodney Rose, deputy leader of Oxfordshire County

Council, said: "We would advise motorists to take extra care on the roads, and if in any doubt, not to drive through flood water."

"We give advice of this nature not just with the safety of motorists in mind - it's also a question of not creating bow waves that cause problems for nearby properties."

Along with our partners such as the district councils and the Environment Agency, we have been preparing for flooding. We have also had staff working hard over the festive period dealing with the effects of the

weather."

At present, Oxfordshire has been given a medium risk rating for flooding by the Environment Agency.

David Bedlington, regional flood risk manager for the Environment Agency, said: "Our incident rooms remain open, and our staff are working hard to provide up-to-the-minute information."

"We have ambassadors out across the South in areas such as Oxford and Abingdon, advising people of what they can do to reduce the impacts of flooding."



• Top, Oxford City Council workers filling sandbags at Redbridge Park and Ride. Below, the flooded Osney Mead Allotments



• Top, the playground at Botley Park is completely submerged. • Left, Binsey Lane was closed because of increasing water levels. • Right, Motorists negotiate the junction at Abingdon Road near Redbridge Park and Ride

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Osney Lock flood death is 'tragic'

A MAN from Oxford who was using a mobility scooter has died after falling in to Osney Lock when trying to use a flooded path.

The 47-year-old's body was recovered from the lock on January 4 and Thames Valley Police has since confirmed they are not treating his death as suspicious.

His death remains unexplained while his next of kin has been informed.

Supt Christian Bunt, LPA Commander for Oxford, described the incident as 'tragic'.

He said: "This tragic incident highlights the dangers of using pathways which have flooded in areas including Oxford."

"The public should be particularly careful following the recent heavy rainfall, especially along the River Thames, and ensure they do not put themselves at risk by entering flood water."

"I urge anyone using these areas to take extra caution."

Supt Bunt added: "Our thoughts are with the family of the man who has died."

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Oxford city centre now a low emission zone

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OXFORD city centre has become a low emission zone (LEZ) in an effort to look after the local environment.

The joint city and county council plan was introduced on January 1 and is designed to improve air quality and reduce transport-related emissions in the centre of Oxford.

Buses' engines have been upgraded to meet EURO 5 standards for emissions while Oxford's LEZ is only the second to be introduced outside of London.

This has seen companies such as Oxford Bus Company, Stagecoach, Thames Travel and National Express invest in improving their engine standards.

According to city Cllr John Tanner, board member for a Cleaner, Greener Oxford, "any bus company taking a bus through the centre of Oxford without at least a Euro 5 exhaust can lose its licence".

Cllr Tanner added: "Oxford City council will continue to press for other improvements until Nitrogen Dioxide pollution is below 400 parts per million everywhere in the city."

Cabinet member for Environment at the county council Cllr

David Nimmo Smith believes the LEZ compliments other transport initiatives within the city.

He said: "Oxford has some of the highest bus use in the UK, thanks to sustained investment by the councils and bus companies over several decades to create a first class bus and Park & Ride network. Buses are vital to Oxford's economy and environment so I'm delighted to see the LEZ coming into effect to make the city's buses even cleaner."

However, the county's Green group believe the LEZ needs to be extended to cover all vehicles.

Green group leader Craig Simmons said: "This Low Emission Zone has been a long time coming but shows that our consistent campaigning on air quality has paid off."

"A LEZ is long overdue. Air quality is continuing to deteriorate in the city centre. Our concern is that the limited measures proposed will have a minimal effect. There needs to be a clear plan to extend the LEZ to cover all polluting vehicles."

Council hopes to score big with activities



• Youngsters taking part in basketball for one of the Oxford Youth Ambition sessions

A PROGRAMME for young people aged 15 to 21 to take part in a range of sporting activities has been launched by Oxford City Council.

Oxford Youth Ambition sees a number of sports sessions led by a qualified coach being held in Barton, Blackbird Leys, Cutteslowe and Rose Hill, to encourage youngsters to keep active.

Activities on offer include

dodgeball, netball, table tennis, boxercise, dance, football and basketball, with more sports being made available on demand.

Cllr Steve Curran, board member for youth and communities, said: "There are plenty of activities that young people can try out at these sessions."

"They are fun, affordable and it allows them to see if they enjoy the sport before commit-

ting more time towards it."

While taking part in the sessions, participants can earn Bounts reward points just for turning up, and can be redeemed against a number of rewards including shopping vouchers and days out.

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Police appeal after kidnap attempt...

A TEENAGE girl was left shaken after a man attempted to kidnap her in Oxford on December 29.

The 16-year-old was standing at a bus stop in St Clement's Street at 11.15pm when a man approached her in a dark coloured vehicle and asked her to get inside.

She got on the number eight bus which travelled up London Road and got off opposite the junction of Gladstone Road at 11.25pm.

Here, she was approached by the same man who got out of his vehicle and touched her on the shoulder and asked her to get into the vehicle again.

She pushed him and ran away.

Thames Valley Police say the offender was wearing dark trousers and a dark hooded top and now appeal for any witnesses to call 101.

Investigating officer Det Con Gurinder Sangha, said: "If you saw anyone acting suspiciously in the area at the time of the incident please contact us."

"If you were standing at the bus stop and witnessed the incident please come forward."

"This sort of incident is rare but was frightening for the lone girl and I would like to reassure the public that we are treating it extremely seriously."

People power could save Oxford stadium

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A DECISION as to whether Oxford Stadium should be demolished and redeveloped as housing was expected to be rejected last night by the city council.

It comes after Oxford East MP Andrew Smith and Save Oxford Stadium chairman Ian Sawyer presented a petition with over 2,000 signatures to save the stadium to council leaders Bob Price and Ed Turner last week.

Mr Smith said: "There is overwhelming opposition, both from local residents and stadium supporters across the county, to this planning application."

"People really value the stadium activities and facilities and want to see it fully re-open."

"There is huge public support for getting back speedway and greyhound racing as well as keeping the dance, karting and other activities on site."

"This is a vital facility, not just for Oxford but the whole county, and we are determined to save it."

"It is good news that there is



• Andrew Smith MP and Ian Sawyer (right) present the petition to Cllrs Bob Price and Ed Turner

serious business interest in buying the site and operating it as a stadium."

Oxford Stadium has been closed as a greyhound track since December 29, 2012, with speedway not having been run at the site since 2008.

This proposal was for 220 residential units to be built on the site, but a council report recommended refusal on the basis that community facilities would be lost.

It was also concerned about the lack of the full provision of affordable housing and potential poor living conditions for future occupants.

Cllr Price said: "The city council's local plan clearly identifies this site for leisure, and there is huge support for the retention of greyhound and speedway racing in Oxford."

"This is together with the other popular activities that are housed in the stadium - dance,

karting and motorcycle training all have strong support."

"We know that there are several promoters who are willing to take over the stadium and run it with all these activities."

"It is disappointing that the Greyhound Racing Association is failing to promote and develop the sport that it represents."

A spokesperson for Galliard Homes, who put forward the proposed development, refused to comment further on the matter.

Fitness trail 'is a great new park feature'

A NEW fitness trail has been installed in Cowley Marsh to encourage people to lead healthier and stronger lifestyles.

Covering approximately 1km, the trail is part of a £160,000 programme to deliver five Fitness trails across Oxford.

They would offer an opportunity to people of all ages to exercise for free.

The trail has multiple exercise stations located at intervals so that people can run on grass or paths from machine to machine.

A cross trainer, treadmill, stepper, leg, shoulder and chest presses, hand bike, treadmill and parallel bars are just some of the workouts available.

Cllr Mark Lygo, board member for Parks, Sport and Events, said: "This Fitness Trail is a great feature for this popular park, providing new opportunities for our city's residents to take time out of their busy day to take part in exercise out in the fresh air."

Meanwhile, a consultation is underway for similar Fitness Trails at South Park and across The Leys.

Waste Recycling Environmental Limited (WREN) has already awarded £13,500 of funding towards the project from their Landfill Communities Fund.

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Fraud calls investigated by police

THAMES Valley Police is currently investigating a series of fraudulent calls.

There have been reports of phone calls being made to residents across the region from people claiming to be police officers.

An 'officer' will tell the victim their bank account has been involved in fraudulent activity and asks them for their details or pin number.

"We are in the early stages of investigating these claims," said Det Supt Paul Hayles.

"I want to remind people that the police will never ask for your bank details in this way, and nor will your bank."

"Never give personal or account details to anyone who contacts you unexpectedly."

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Tax on tobacco 'could stop 200 million deaths'

AN OXFORD University researcher has said that tripling the tax on tobacco could prevent 200 million early deaths this century, in a report published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Professor Sir Richard Peto, along with Professor Prabhat Jha of the University of Toronto, believe that by greatly boosting the tax people would be encouraged to quit smoking altogether.

They added that it would be especially effective in low to middle-income countries, but also cited France's halving of cigarette consumption from 1990 to 2005 by raising taxes well above inflation.

Professor Peto said: "The two certainties in life are death and taxes. We want higher tobacco taxes and fewer tobacco deaths."

"It would help children not to start, and it would help many adults to stop while there's still time."

"Globally, about half of all young men and one in 10 of all young women become smokers and, particularly in developing countries, relatively few quit."

"If they keep smoking, about half will be killed by it, but if they

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stop before 40, they'll reduce their risk of dying from tobacco by 90 per cent."

Dr Harpal Kumar, chief executive of Cancer Research UK, which funded some of Professor Peto's work, has urged governments worldwide to take action.

He said: "Worldwide, around half a billion children and adults under the age of 35 are already, or soon will be, smokers, and many will be hooked on tobacco for life."

"So there's an urgent need for governments to find ways to stop people starting and to help smokers give up."

"This immensely important study demonstrates that tobacco taxes are a hugely powerful lever in reducing the numbers of people who smoke and who die from their addiction."

"We urge all governments, not least the UK government, to take action by regularly raising tobacco taxes above inflation, and using occasional steep tax hikes starting with the next budget."

MP gets tour around Headington home site



• (From left) Katy and Roger Buswell with John Howell MP

HENLEY MP John Howell has been speaking to residents of a park home site in Headington, to discuss the passing of the *Mobile Homes Act* last year.

Mr Howell visited Wick Farm Park where around 50 homes are based, and was shown around by Katy Buswell and her brother Roger, who own four residential parks in the Oxford area.

The act in question gives extra safeguards from a small number of rogue operators, such as those blocking property sales

by residents, failing to carry out maintenance and not issuing written contracts.

"I was pleased to have the opportunity to look around the site, and to learn more about the different aspects of residential park management," said Mr Howell.

"It is important in this sector that there are adequate safeguards in place on all sides."

"Previous legislation had been developed in a piecemeal fashion, and this new legislation

contains important provisions for both park home owners and site operators."

Mrs Buswell said: "There is a positive community atmosphere on our parks, and a strong sense of neighbourliness which many mature couples say is missing from modern urban living."

She added that while for the majority the parks represent a dream retirement lifestyle, there are a few that are sub-standard, and the new legislation should help combat the issue.

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Tributes to iconic trio

Lots of drama

OXFORD'S Burton Taylor Studio has four separate events lined up over the next seven days, focussing on drama and new writing.

Fiji Land is running from now until Saturday, and is a surreal play about the things that happen when prison doors shut and what happens inside is hidden from the world.

It is the work of award-winning playwright Nick Gill.

Chris Sivewright's play School Assembly will be staged on Monday, as teachers debate the possibility of an evil act, and the discussion gets nasty.

Another of Chris's shows is shown on Tuesday, with Transformation telling the story of a young girl who tries to resolve her grandfather's limited outlook on life and transform his perceptions.

And on Wednesday, the drama comedy Goodbye Günther plays with people's fears and taboos surrounding death, as the optimistic protagonist rehearses the end of his life using slapstick.

Further details can be found at www.oxfordplayhouse.com or by calling 01865 305305.

AN evening of rock and roll featuring tribute acts to three of the biggest names in music comes to the Oxford New Theatre, with **Three Steps to Heaven** being performed tonight and tomorrow.

Classic songs from Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Buddy Holly, in homage to what would have been billed the greatest rock and roll show ever staged if it had taken place.

Stephen Kabakos stars as Elvis at the New Theatre, in what is his UK debut after 16 years of performing as the King.

"What's great about this show is that it's three iconic rock and roll superstars that pretty much are the legends that started it off," said Stephen. "It can't get too much better than that music-wise."

Speaking about what he enjoyed most about Elvis' music, Stephen said: "There was just something raw about it, his music changed so much."

"With most artists, besides the Rolling Stones, there's not that many that have spanned that many generations."

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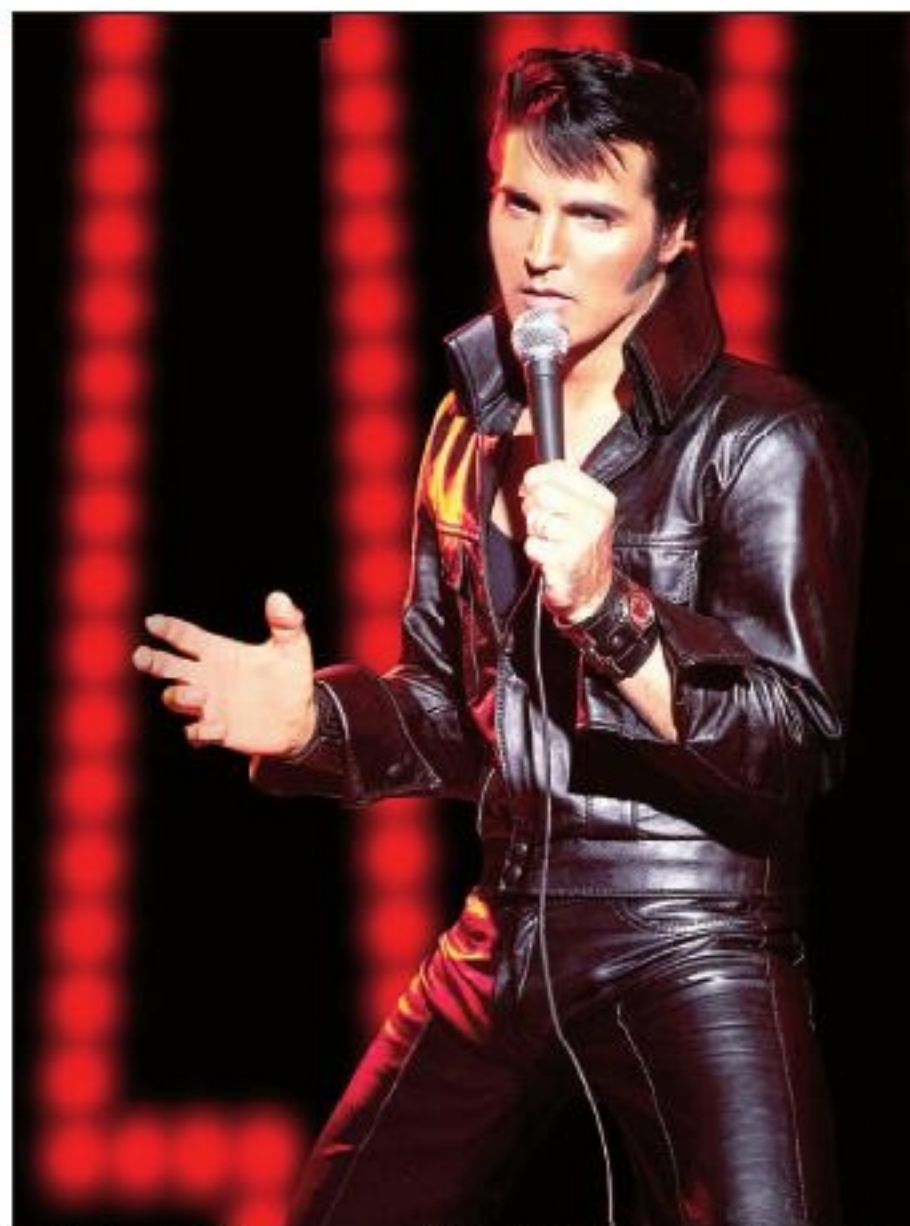
"Elvis wasn't here that long, however he did span the fifties, the sixties and even the seventies, and in each era his music changed."

"He started off this crazy hip-swinging rebel, and in the sixties he became more of the crooner playing a little bit more of the romantic side of things, such as the songs 'Surrender' and 'It's Now or Never'."

"Towards the end of the sixties he started to get his raw edge back, and then in the seventies exploded into this man who he was on stage - Elvis in concert."

"You can't really get tired of his music because it's always different, and I guess you could say I really do enjoy performing them all."

Three shows are being performed today and tomorrow, and tickets cost £28.90. For show times and booking details, phone 0844 871 3020 or go to www.newtheatreoxford.org.uk.



• Stephen Kabakos stars as Elvis in his first ever performance in the UK

More panto!

POPULAR pantomime Aladdin is coming to Banbury from tomorrow evening, with 16 performances scheduled until January 19.

The show sees a diverse cast dressed in elaborate costumes, with detailed sets and all the traditional pantomime ingredients, presented by the Cherwell Theatre Company.

Tickets cost £10, and a family ticket for four is available for £32. To book or to check show times, go to www.themillarts-centre.co.uk or phone 01295 297002.

Unicorn folk!

AN EVENING of folk music is coming to Abingdon's Unicorn Theatre tonight, as The Hut People perform their engaging and often hilarious show featuring songs from around the world.

The duo are popular with audiences around the UK, and will be performing with their trademark mix of accordion and Quebecois percussion and dance.

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Sons looking to the future

HARD rock group Sons of Icarus make their Oxford debut on Saturday with Rock Lives, a show at the O2 Academy which sees them collaborating with Fighting Wolves and Piston.

In their first show of 2014, Sons of Icarus will be playing songs from their upcoming debut album ahead of a full UK tour next month.

It hasn't been an easy time for the group after problems with a record label have delayed the release of the album, but the band is now planning on financing it themselves.

Steve Balkwill, guitarist with the group, said: "It's been really frustrating as we recorded the album in August 2012, and it's been on my iPod for a year and a half now."

"It's annoying because the only song people have heard from it is the single 'Let it Burn', but we just need to get some artwork sorted and

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we're going to try and fund it ourselves and put it out as soon as possible."

Saturday's show sees the band team up with Fighting Wolves in preparation for their joint tour, and will also be the first time the two groups have met in person.

"We've been aware of them and they've got some cool tunes," Steve added. "They came to us with the idea of a tour and we thought it sounded fun, and we've got some great material to put together for these shows."

"It should be a nice warm-up and getting to know the guys, and we've got Piston on the bill as well who we met at a festival a few weeks ago, so it should be a good night of rock."

Entry costs £8, and doors open at 7pm. For more details, call the box office on 0844 477 2000 or go to their website: www.o2academyoxford.co.uk.



• Steve Balkwill (far left) and Sons of Icarus make their Oxford debut on Saturday

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Two speed crossword

Quick Clues Across

- 4 Crustacean (6)
- 8 Religious buildings (7)
- 9 Discover the position of (6)
- 10 Vessel for conveying passengers and vehicles (5,4)
- 11 Disorder (4)
- 13 Halts (5)
- 14 Swift retort (7)
- 16 Be gluttonous (7)
- 18 Goods (5)
- 19 Unwoven fabric (4)
- 21 Indispensable (9)
- 22 Kind of chicory (6)
- 23 Began (7)
- 24 Short track for shunting (6)

Quick Clues Down

- 1 Misleading (9)
- 2 Part for replacement in machinery (5,4)
- 3 Medicinal plants (5)
- 5 Shout derisively (4)
- 6 Representations (6)
- 7 Gratify (6)
- 9 Classical language (5)
- 11 Religious house (9)
- 12 Became dull (9)
- 15 Lift (5)
- 16 Proposals (6)
- 17 Baffled (6)
- 20 Relaxes (5)
- 21 Flat (4)
- 22 After due or usual time (4)

Cryptic Clues Across

- 4 Change the hair piece (6)
- 8 Told of formerly being in the red (7)
- 9 The cure is a change of a holiday (6)
- 10 Somehow I also turn it on as being separate (9)
- 11 The Republicans hold part of this place (4)
- 13 Wounds the sailor in the streets (5)
- 14 Confused at finding birds in part of the garden (7)
- 16 Mean to put Vera in a time bracket (7)
- 18 Could nothing be so changed among the reeds? (5)
- 19 Begin to direct (4)
- 21 Meet and go in to find a conscientious objector to the UN inside (9)
- 22 Group which is more than healthy (6)
- 23 Take away from the retiring editor's paper (7)
- 24 Herbs for sound occasions (6)

Cryptic Clues Down

- 1 Is the visit seen to show feeling? (9)
- 2 Ore who sacrifices sleep to capture a contemptible creature (5,4)
- 3 The department has an hour to make the distance (5)
- 5 Give notice of a battle to the north (4)
- 6 Tries to absorb second-rate groups (6)
- 7 Having the money to visit the cobbler? (6)
- 9 Centres of sound reason (5)
- 11 But surely it's the wife who shows careful domestic management? (9)
- 12 Adoring bow (9)
- 15 Spy factor (5)
- 16 Very nearly to slam out (6)
- 17 Heed your fundamental quality (6)
- 20 Is there a large number over its white cliffs? (5)
- 21 A great lake turns to Ireland (4)

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Scribble space

Last week's solutions

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Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Sights 7 Placate 8 Open air 9 Idiot
10 Automatic 12 One 13 Inks 15 Clogged 17 Yale 19 Not
21 Handclasp 22 Lasso 23 Slacken 24 Tallest 25 Steels
Down: 1 Stowaway 2 Ghetto 7 Trammel 4 Basic 5
Ration 6 Seat 7 Protagonist 11 Once 13 Idol 14 Serpents
16 Enchant 18 Lastly 20 Tackle 21 Holes 22 Late

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Redeem 7 Recited 8 Impulse 9 Loyal 10 Interlude
12 Sag 13 Arab 15 Ceiling 17 Sash 19 Eel 21 Recording
22 Write 23 Nailing 24 Remains 25 Igloos
Down: 1 Railings 2 Depots 3 Enlarge 4 Scale 5 Stayer
6 Idol 7 Republicans 11 Each 13 Aged 14 Baggages 16
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This extremely attractive Georgian-style property sits in an idyllic location in the heart of the Oxfordshire countryside, and is enveloped by nearly an acre of beautifully landscaped grounds. One enters the house into a large and very elegant reception hall, from which each of the main living areas flow, creating a layout perfect for busy family life. The heart of the home is the extremely large and incredibly sumptuous living room, which stretches the entire length of the property. A large bay window overlooks the front of the house, and is where one can enjoy the far-reaching views over the rolling farmland beyond, even on the most inclement of days. At the other end of the room, double doors open up into the pretty conservatory that wraps around the back of the house. The current owners say that during the summer months they are able to open up both spaces and create a wonderful connection between inside and out, and then during the winter they can close them light the fire and admire the beautiful garden while cosy and warm inside.

A wonderful feature of The Rustlings is the large, indoor swimming pool. Sliding doors down one entire side of the room can be pushed back to allow the space to flow wonderfully into the garden, creating a fabulous place to entertain friends and

family, or for having a relaxing dip on a hot summer's afternoon. The owners also say that it is splendid during the winter too, especially at Christmas.

The grounds that surround The Rustlings are as attractive as the house itself. The property is set well back from the road creating enough space for a large lawn and a sweeping driveway at the front. To the back is a beautifully landscaped and perfectly manicured garden that has a number of spots in which to sit and enjoy the surroundings. A large patio terrace sweeps from the conservatory around to the side of the pool house, providing ample space for a big family BBQ or just relaxing in the sunshine that bathes the entire space during the summer months.

The Rustlings enjoys a wonderfully rural location, and both Oxford and Newbury are just minutes away by car. The current owners make use of the fabulous farm shop that is a short stroll away, where they can buy fresh produce, most of which comes from surrounding farmland.

This is quite simply a lovely home in a wonderful setting that enables one to enjoy the very best of all worlds. The property is on the market with Andrews Abingdon. Call them on 01235 555553, for further information or to arrange a viewing.



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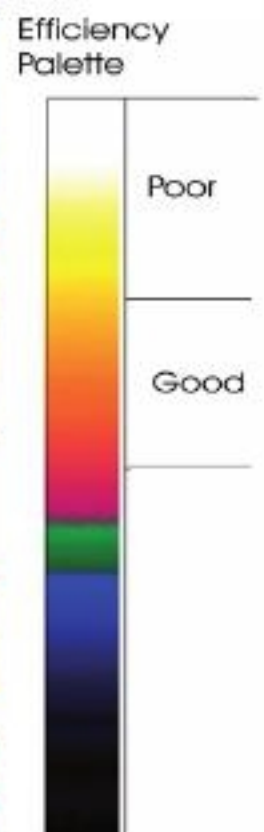
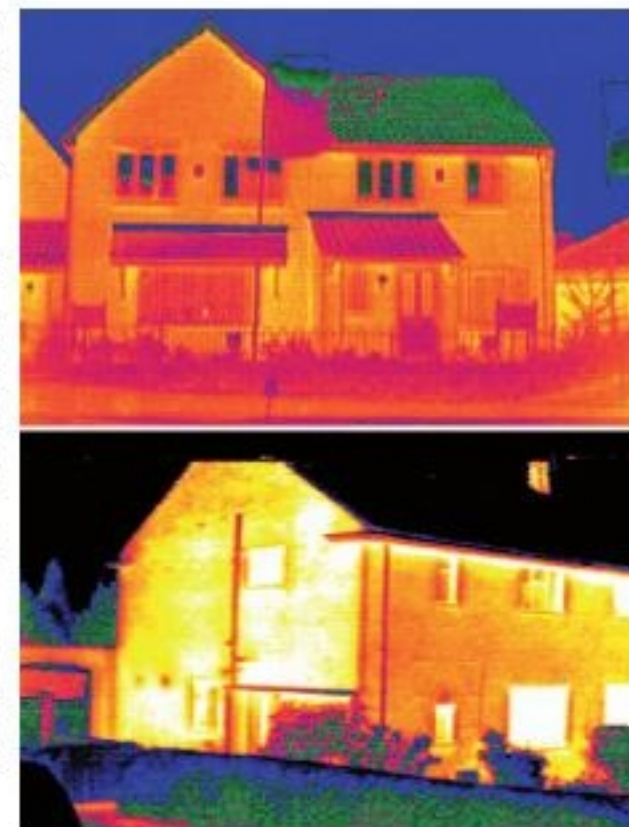
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Unwary tenants could face New Year nightmare

The start of a new year is always a busy month in the rental market, with thousands of people looking for a new start and hoping to quickly secure and move into their new rented

home.

But with good quality rented properties in the most popular areas in short supply, how many of those looking to move quickly in the New Year will be selective

when it comes to the letting agents they deal with? Particularly given that almost two thirds of tenants are unaware that letting agents are not regulated.

"Most tenants are understandably more concerned with the features of their next

home – such as its size, location and whether they can afford the rent – than with the credentials of the letting agent they will be renting through," Perry Bishop and Leaders' Senior Branch Manager, Jim Browning. "As a result, their 'dream' home – or even just the one that ticks the most boxes at the time – could turn into a nightmare if it leads them to a bad letting agent."

Perry Bishop and Leaders' recent survey of more than 5,500 tenants found that, for 70%, the choice of available

properties is very important in choosing a letting agent. 63% are unaware that letting agents are not regulated by the government and less than half (42%) consider membership of a professional body to be very important when choosing their letting agent.

"Unaware that they are not protected by the law," continues Browning, "most tenants choose their letting agent by the properties they have to offer and do not vet them to make sure they are qualified or trustworthy.

"This can mean being ripped off by unfair fees, their deposit being lost or stolen, their rights as a tenant ignored, putting up with a poor service and a badly maintained property throughout their tenancy, and worst of all, their physical safety jeopardised if the property does not comply with gas, fire and electrical safety regulations."

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Elmhurst, Carterton.

£139,950

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Heald Court Carterton

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Dovetrees, Carterton

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The Bridge, Shilton

£249,950

A charming character two bedroom cottage situated in this sought after village retaining many original features, in need of some modernisation. The property briefly comprises of Entrance Porch, Sitting Room, kitchen, Inner Hall, Cloakroom, Family Bathroom, Garage/Workshop, POSSIBILITY TO PURCHASE EXTRA LAND WITH THE PROPERTY AT ADDITIONAL COST.



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Fielden Close, Ducklington

£315,000

A spacious three bedroom Detached family home with ample parking in a desirable location. The property comprises briefly of Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Dining Area, Conservatory, Modern Fitted Kitchen leading to a large Utility Room. On the first floor the property has Three Bedrooms and a Modern Fitted Bathroom. At the front a block paved driveway gives parking for 3/4 cars in front of a garage with up and over door. The rear garden is landscaped and well stocked with flower and shrub borders. EPC = D



Brize Norton Road, Carterton

£319,950

Presented in excellent decorative order throughout this 4 bedroom non detached family home occupies a plot of approx. 135' x 33' and has been tastefully extended to provide a kitchen/Breakfast Room, Dining Room and a garage workshop. The property briefly comprises of a Sitting Room, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Cloakroom, Four Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, uPVC Double Glazed Windows, Purpose Built Garage/Workshop, Established Front and rear Gardens, Ample off road parking, EPC = D



Richens Drive, Carterton.

£625.00 PCM

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Bluebell Way, Carterton.

£775.00 PCM

This nicely presented Two Bedroom Terraced House is situated on Shilton Park close to Local Shops, Amenities and the Country Park. The Property briefly comprises of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Downstairs Cloakroom, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Garden, Car Port and Parking.



Magnolia Way, Carterton

£1,200 PCM

A Four Bedroom Property presented in excellent order throughout, situated on the popular Shilton Park Estate close to Local Shops, Amenities and the Country Park. Offering stylish family living accommodation, the property briefly comprises of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Dining Area, Downstairs Cloakroom, Four Bedrooms, En-suite to Master Bedroom, Family Bathroom, Good sized Rear Garden, Garage and Gated Driveway. EPC = C



Streatfield House, Carterton.

£750.00 PCM

This nicely presented Two Double Bedroom Flat is situated in the centre of Carterton close to Local shops and amenities. The property comprises of Open Plan Living Space, with Fitted kitchen Area, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom and Allocated Parking.



Glenmore Road, Carterton.

£795.00 PCM

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Boundary Lane, Carterton.

£775.00 PCM

A Ground Floor Maisonette presented in good order throughout, situated on Shilton Park within easy reach of Local Shops, Amenities and the Country Park. The property briefly comprises of Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, En-suite to Master Bedroom, Main Bathroom, Garage and Allocated Park.



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The Clock House, Carterton.

£625.00 PCM

Two Bedroom Top Floor Flat, situated in the Town Centre giving easy access to Local Shops and Amenities. The Property briefly comprises of Lounge/Diner, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom and has Allocated Parking.



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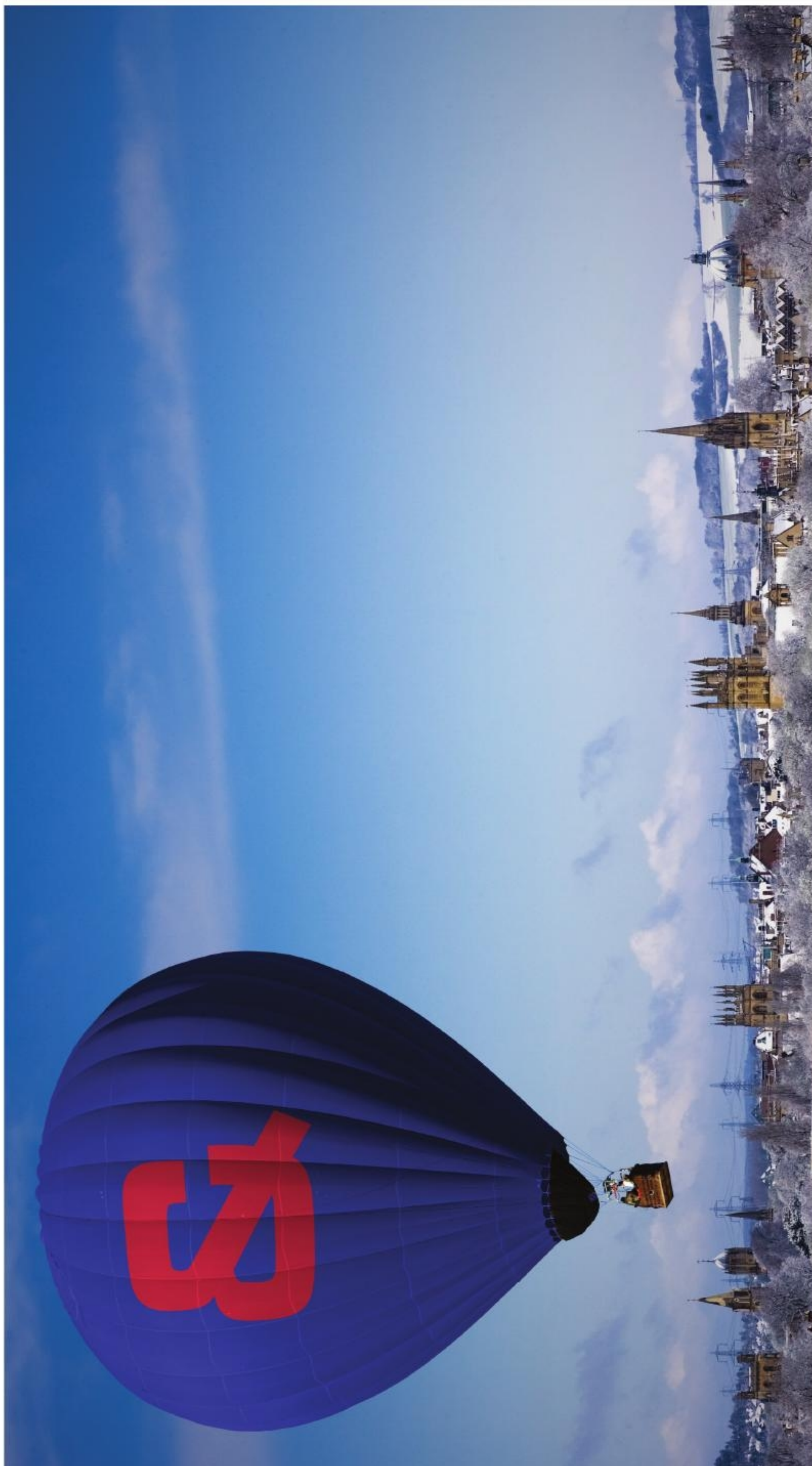
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THE compact SUV/crossover class has become one of the most hotly contested in the automotive sector, so perhaps it's no surprise that Hyundai has refreshed its ix35 only 3 years after it first launched.

Visually the revised ix35 cuts quite a dash, with the same tall stance. At the front there's a prominent front grille, and swept back headlights; while new LED daytime running lights and reworked rear lamps complete the ix35's a striking visual appearance.

All cars get a 5-star Euro NCAP safety rating; 6 airbags, a suite of electronic stability systems and ISOfix standard child seat anchors. SE Nav and above gets a 7" Touchscreen Satellite Navigation Featuring Full Postcode Recognition, TMC, Reversing Camera and Premium 7 Speaker Sound System.

The new ix35 retains the 1.6-litre GDi petrol and 1.7-litre and 2.0-litre CRDi engines, but adds

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By Philip Shoulder

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a six-speed automatic transmission option on the 2.0-litre 136PS 4WD model.

Aside from styling, the ix35 also gets tweaked suspension settings to improve ride comfort and driving dynamics. The changes have brought about noticeable improvement in both areas. Good visibility and light steering also make town driving and parking a painless process. Stepping inside the ix35's cabin reveals it to be largely unchanged. You're greeted by the same visually appealing and ergonomically well-designed dashboard layout, with a well-positioned and easy-to-use infotainment system.

Everything feels well screwed together, with a decent ergonomic layout, but unfortunately the interior doesn't quite have

the polish of some rivals, such as Honda CR-V and VW Tiguan.

It's easy to get comfortable thanks to plenty of adjustment in the steering column and a well-aligned driving position.

The ix35 makes a good family car, with lots of head- and leg-room throughout and storage levels are pretty decent, too, with central cubbies, four large cup holders and space to stow items around the gear lever. Although its boot opening isn't as wide as that in either a Mazda CX-5 or a Honda CR-V, the boot floor is flat and there's an admirable 591 litres of boot space, which extends to 1,436 litres with the 60/40 split rear seats folded.

Verdict:

Although it still might not quite have the polish of the class leaders, Hyundai's new ix35 builds on the previous model's strengths, offering buyers in the market for a compact SUV an attractively styled, competent and great value package.



• The new Hyundai ix35

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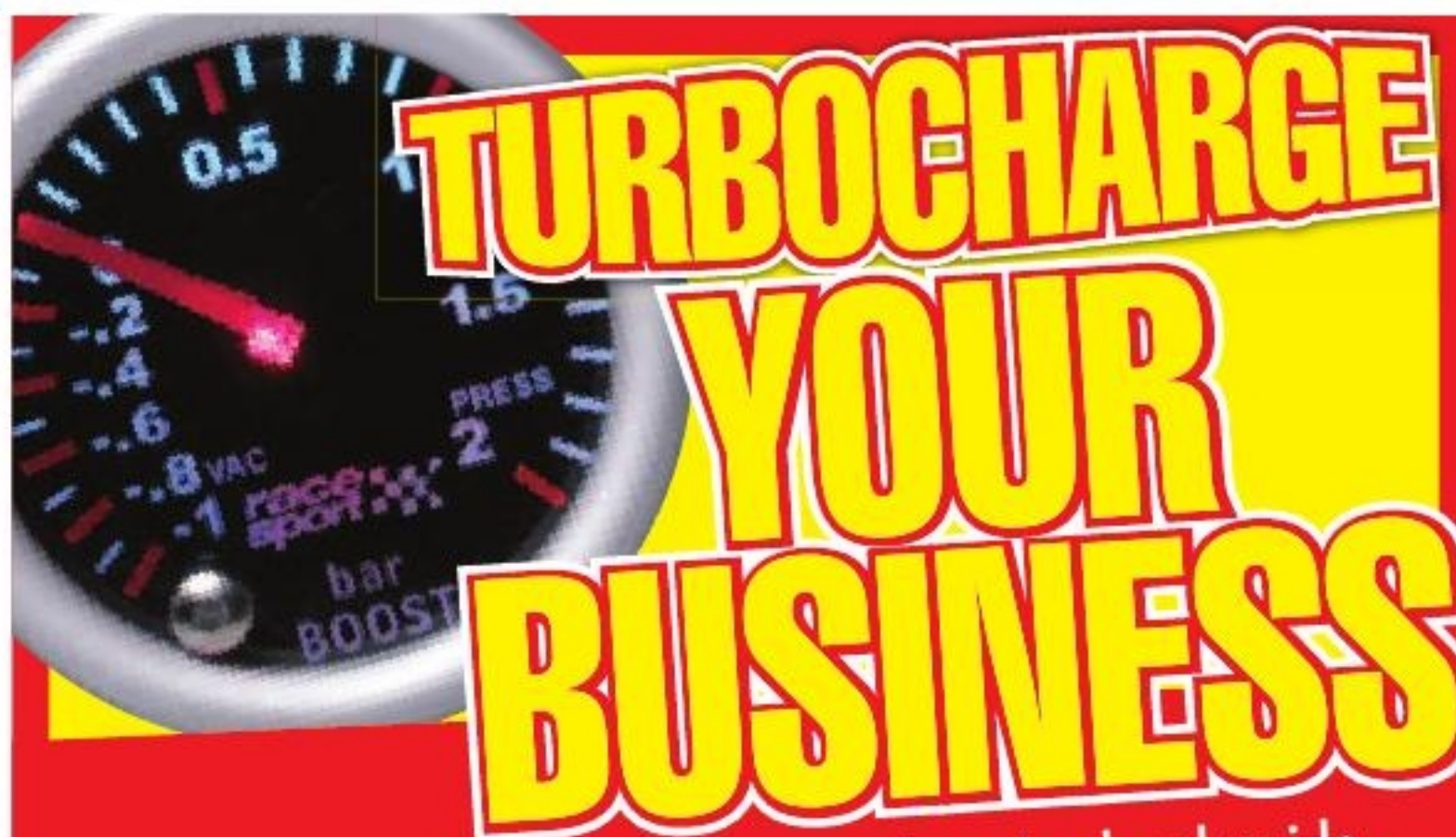
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EXILES RETURN TO TOP OF THE LEAGUE

Burnell happy with performance after successive festive defeats

JUSTIN Burnell praised London Welsh's performance as the Exiles returned to the top of the league with a 33-26 victory over Jersey.

Defeats at Bedford Blues and London Scottish saw the Exiles lose top spot in the Greene King IPA Championship before

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Christmas.

However, a morale-boosting win at Jersey last Saturday saw Burnell's team return to the summit.

Welsh now have a two-point lead over second-placed Rotherham Titans.

But there was an air of disappointment, as the Exiles were unable to score a fourth try and head back to Oxford with a bonus point.

Nevertheless, Burnell was adamant that, after consecutive league defeats, starting 2014 with a decent performance was the priority.

He said: "It was all about the performance and for 60 minutes we got a performance, which had been lacking over the last couple of weeks."

"Importantly we got the win and we're back to winning ways and we're sitting at the top of the

league again.

"But it's not all about that, it's about the performance, but a win certainly helps morale."

Mitch Lees, Joe Ajuwa and Mike Denbee all went over for the Exiles while Alex Davies kicked 18 points to help Welsh to victory and see off a late flurry from Jersey.

Burnell was disappointed not to secure the bonus point but recognised the conditions played their part.

"We should have scored the fourth try, but it didn't come," he added.

"We kicked the points but Jersey is not an easy place to come and the weather wasn't the best, so we're just happy with the win."

Despite returning to the top of the league, Burnell believes promotion to the Aviva Premiership is by no means written on the wall.

"It's very competitive," he said.

"It's anybody's league. For us it's about maintaining a good performance and staying in the top four."

The Exiles are in B&I Cup action this Sunday, hosting Pontypridd.



• Joe Ajuwa watches on as Alan Awcock escapes a tackle during London Welsh's 33-26 win over Jersey

U's boss pondering his options ahead of Saturday

OXFORD United have had a full week to prepare for this Saturday's game at home to Portsmouth.

United had their FA Cup third round tie at Championship side Charlton Athletic postponed for a second time on Tuesday and now turn their attentions back to the league.

Midfielder Asa Hall has returned to parent club Shrewsbury Town after his loan deal expired while Chris Wilder will have to decide on whether to stick with Jake Wright and Johnny Mullins as his centre-half pairing.

Dave Kitson will serve the last game of his two-match ban this weekend, missing out on the opportunity of playing against his former club.

This should see James Constable joined by Deane Smalley in attack.

Smalley will be hoping for a similar performance to that he put in at Fratton Park on the first day of the season when he netted a brace in United's 4-1 win over Pompey.

Wilder will also have to make a decision on who will partner Danny Rose in centre midfield after the conclusion of Hall's loan deal.

With Andy Whing and Jon Meades still out, Scott Davies and Josh Ruffels will vie for a place in the starting eleven.



Further boost for Oxford as Bentley puts pen to paper

LOOSE forward Valu Bentley has become the latest player to re-sign for Kingstone Press Championship 1 side Oxford Rugby League.

Bentley made 14 appearances and scored two tries for Oxford last season as they finished sixth in their inaugural season.

The 31-year-old who became the first player to score a try at Iffley Road when he went over against the South Wales Scorpions last year is delighted to stay at Oxford.

He said: "It didn't take much to convince me to re-sign."

"I really enjoyed my first year at Oxford, it's a good family based club."

"The staff are all good, hard working people and I can only see the club progressing in the years to come."

The former France 23's international added: "On the field, we surprised a few of the top teams so it showed that we could compete with the top teams."

"We need to do that throughout the whole season, and be consistent."

• Valu Bentley (Picture courtesy of Oxford Rugby League)



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